

William C. Collins, Mayor

*Council Members:*

Terry Jenkins, Mayor Pro Tem

Walter Bailey

Aaron Brown

Kima Garten-Schmidt

Bob Jackson

William McIntosh



*Clerk-Treasurer*

Lisa L. Wallace

*Town Attorney*

G. Waring Parker

## **Town of Summerville**

### **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 12, 2014**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Bill Collins and Council members Walter Bailey, Aaron Brown, Bob Jackson, Terry Jenkins and Bill McIntosh. Kima Garten-Schmidt was absent. Also present were Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services & Clerk-Treasurer, and G.W. Parker, Town Attorney. Members of the press and the public were duly notified of the meeting and were also present.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular monthly meeting of Summerville Town Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 12, 2014. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Jackson, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Collins announced the first order of business was a public hearing on the proposed 2015 budget. Finance Director Belinda Harper gave a brief presentation of the proposed budget including the proposed 2015 stormwater fund and the proposed local hospitality and accommodations tax fund. Mayor Collins called for any comments. There being no comments offered, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor Collins called for any other comments from the public. Jewel Miley of Woodland Estates reported that there is a large pile of trash in front of a house in her neighborhood and that efforts to have it addressed by code enforcement have not corrected the problem. She added that the town's code addresses this issue and asked why nothing has been done. Carolyn Gorman of Third and Magnolia Streets asked what the difference is between the town's redevelopment plan, the master plan, the vision plan, and the comprehensive plan. She believes that several of them are the same but wants to know why the RDC would adopt the vision plan as its redevelopment plan and why council would adopt the vision plan as an amendment to the comprehensive plan and whether there is a difference between all of these plans. She also stated that the draft of the vision plan is very difficult to read on the website. Melvin McClellan of 203 Gardenia Street reported that the drainage systems and ditches in his neighborhood are not working properly and that algae are forming because the water is stagnant. He is also concerned about potential mosquitos as a result of the stagnant water. Diane Frankenberger has a business and a home in Summerville and stated that she would rather see lots of growth than no growth. Heyward Hutson stated that he understood that there was over nine million dollars in a reserve fund when Mayor Collins took office and asked about the status of the nine million dollars. He added that someone had contacted him about the horrible condition of the brick arch and the wooden bridge that crosses the canal. Peter Gorman of Third and Magnolia Streets stated that he appreciates that the millage rate has remained

the same but pointed out that there seems to be a shift of funds from other departments to the administration, finance and planning departments and hopes that isn't a long-term trend.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brown, to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 council meeting and the October 20, 2014 special council meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to approve the November 10, 2014 Finance Committee Report, the November 5, 2014 Planning and Development Committee Report, and the November 5, 2014 Parks and Recreation Committee Report. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **PETITIONS**

Ms. Wallace reported that no petitions for annexations have been submitted.

#### **PENDING BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to have second and final reading of an ordinance to adopt the Town of Summerville 2015 budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jackson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, to approve the 2015 hospitality tax fund budget as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Mr. McIntosh made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jackson, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to rezone TMS #137-03-18-002, 312 N. Laurel St. (Armory, Senior Center); TMS #137-15-04-002, 1 lot, John McKissick Way (Town Skate Park); and TMS #144-15-01-027, 601 King Charles Circle (Newington Plantation Playground) all owned by the Town of Summerville from R-2 "Single Family Residential" to PL "Public Lands". The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bailey, to introduce and have first reading of an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a quit-claim deed to Rutherford and Carolyn Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. on motion of Mr. Jenkins, seconded by Mr. Jackson.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Wallace, Director of Administrative Services  
Clerk and Treasurer

APPROVED:

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William C. Collins, Mayor